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Title:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIAGNOSING ABNORMALITY AND ESTIMATING DEGRADATION IN VALVE APPARATUS

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- 1) adding the second Assignee, Nippon Gear Co., Ltd.; and
- 2) correcting the name of the first Assignee, "The Japan Atomic Power Co." which was incorrectly stated as "Japan Atomic Power Co.," on the Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85B.

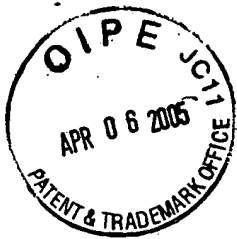
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CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT NO : US 6,782,344 B2

DATED : August 24, 2004

INVENTOR(S) : Haruo Ito, Susumu Watanabe and Tomoaki Sumita

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the cover page, item (73), Assignee, replace "Japan Atomic Power Co., Tokyo (JP)" with:

--The Japan Atomic Power Co., Tokyo (JP);
Nippon Gear Co., Ltd., Kanagawa-Ken (JP)--

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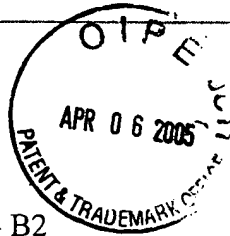


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